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A Alto Douro, good quality, \$10.00

B Superior Old Port, 12 1.10

C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule 14 1.25

D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled) 18 1.50

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A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule 6 0.60

B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule, 7-50 0.75

C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule 10 1.00

CC Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule 10 1.00

D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule 10 1.00

E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled) 14 1.50

CLARETS.

A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule \$4.50

B St. Estephe, Red Capsule 4.50 5.00

C St. Julien 7 7.50

D La Rose 11 12.00

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A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule \$12.00

B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule 14 1.25

C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule 18 1.50

D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule 24 2.00

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A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule 8 0.75

B Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark 8 0.75

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A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule 8 0.75

B John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule 10 1.00

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A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule 4.50 0.40

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Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule 12 1.00

Good Lowland Island, \$1.50 per Gallon.

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DEATHS.

At Shanghai General Hospital, on the 1st July, 1890, ELINA, the beloved wife of E. G. Lapham.

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kerosene oil, etc.,—seems likely to involve his Excellency in more serious difficulties than he could possibly have anticipated.

The proposed fresh imposition on opium was, of course, a gross infraction of treaty stipulations, which was bound to be disallowed immediately it was officially brought before the Tsung-li Yamén; and we think, considering the

importance of the kerosene oil and cotton yarn trade to the commercial prosperity of Canton, and the heavy duties already levied on these imports, that the Viceroy was badly advised in his attempt to further hamper traders by increased impositions in the shape of *likin*. His Excellency could scarcely have expected the reception his proposed fiscal changes met with at Peking.

Not only were his proposals over-ruled and negatived, but the Tsung-li Yamén apparently considered that a high official who could be guilty of such indiscreet conduct and injustice, without any cause whatever, was not the best authority to directly superintend the collection of the Imperial revenue. At all events on June 20th, as previously stated in these columns, Viceroy Li HAN-CHANG received a telegraphic

despatch from Peking instructing him that in future the duties on kerosene oil and cotton yarn would be collected by the Foreign Customs. And it is this decision, which promises to cause his Excellency some trouble.

As is well known, the collection of the *likin* on kerosene has been farmed out by the Provincial Government, and in February last an agreement was entered into between the Viceroy and a syndicate of Chinese merchants, trading under the name Pook On Tong, by which the latter secured the monopoly for a term of six years at an annual rental of \$90,000.

The representatives of the Syndicate deposited \$20,000 in the Provincial Treasury; built *likin* stations at Canton, Kowloon, Cappingmun, Folochow, Malowchow, Chien-san, Chungchow, Chuen-wan, and Sam-shui-po; purchased steam-launches, tow-boats etc., and made other necessary arrangements, not only at Canton but also at Swatow, Pakhoi, Hoihow, and Chun-chuen, at an outlay exceeding \$50,000. And now, without any notice or explanation, they receive a brief message from the Viceroy to the effect that in future the

authorities have decreed that in future the collection of the duties on kerosene oil will be in the hands of the Foreign Customs.

The Chinese lessees of the monopoly will no doubt sustain an enormous loss by this unexpected action on the part of the Government, but they have a perfectly valid claim to be indemnified, and we cannot but believe that the Viceroy will deal in a most liberal spirit in bringing about a satisfactory settlement of the difficulty. What view the Peking authorities will take of the matter may be quite another affair; but as the change in collecting the *likin* has doubtless been made on the advice of Sir ROBERT HART, that popular functionary may be relied on to see that no injustice is done, the more so as the farmers are stated to have carried on the work in a most satisfactory manner to all concerned. That the new system of collecting the *likin* will after a time work smoothly and obviate many difficulties to all engaged in the kerosene and cotton-yarn business between here and the adjacent provinces, may be taken for granted, and it must be admitted that such a radical change speaks volumes for the influence of the Inspector General with the high authorities at the capital, and is a tribute to the great faith reposed in the efficiency and thorough reliability of the Foreign Customs.

TELEGRAMS.

SPAIN.

LONDON, July 6th.
The Ministry has resigned, but Signor Canovas has formed a new one.

GREAT BRITAIN IN AFRICA.

A memorial is being signed by many members of the House of Commons against the African Agreement, in which the memorialists regret the proposed extension of French powers in Madagascar.

LORD WOLSELEY'S SUCCESSOR.

Major-General Sir R. H. Buller succeeds Lord Wolseley at the Horse Guards.

(From the *Courrier d'Haiphong*).

THE CREDIT FONCIER.

PARIS, June 30th.
The evidence taken in the inquiry into the position of the Credit Foncier has been officially published. It shows no grave irregularities, and completely re-establishes the financial condition of the Bank.

(From the *Diario*).

SPAIN.

MADRID, July 3rd.
The cholera epidemic is subsiding. The Government have resigned. The Queen-Regent has held a conference with the heads of Executive, and it is expected that Senor Canovas will be asked to form a new Cabinet.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A REGULAR meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Saturday, the 12th instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

The General Managers (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) inform us that the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Kaitang*, from Calcutta, left Singapore yesterday afternoon for this port.

A MANILA correspondent writes that all the preliminaries in the matter between the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and Jurado & Co. are now settled, and the case will come on in a few days now.

Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co., agents for the Canadian-Pacific Line, inform us that the steamer *Parthia*, from Vancouver via Seattle, arrived at Yokohama yesterday, and left for this port, via Nagasaki and Shanghai, to-day.

This morning at the Police Court four lepers were brought before Mr. Robinson. With a shudder, his Worship disposed of the filthy victims as quickly as possible, by sending them to swell the leper settlement at Canton.

Sir Richard Rennie, Chief Justice of Her Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court in China, and Mr. Wilkinson, Crown Advocate, arrived here from Shanghai this morning by the English mail steamer *Rome*, and will proceed for a short tour in the Australasian colonies.

We hear that at a Committee meeting of the Hongkong Public School, held at St. Paul's College a few days ago, it was decided to close the school at the end of this year unless the results, from a pecuniary point of view, are much more encouraging than has been the case for some time past.

The Mutual Shippers' steamer *Moyana*, the first vessel of the new fleet from Hankow, arrived at London on the forenoon of the 1st inst., having made the run from Hankow in 37 days, 10 hours, and from Woussung in 35 days, 21 hours. Her teas were sold at from seven pence to two shillings and three-pence per lb.

This morning at half-past ten o'clock fire again appeared in 34, Square Street, where the outbreak occurred yesterday. Firemen from No. 5 Station were soon on the spot, and, as the fire was but a few smouldering timbers on the ground-floor not properly extinguished yesterday, the application of a little water soon put it out.

SEARGENT-MAJOR BROOK, of the Shanghai Volunteers, was reported missing on the 2nd inst. Major Morrison afterwards received his written resignation, in which he stated that he had cleared out because he had never given satisfaction. The *N. C. Daily News* says the Sergeant-Major failed to draw his pay for last month.

The Band of the 1st A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Sanitarium to-morrow, commencing at 5 p.m.:

March "Coronation".....Meyerbeer.
Valse "Les Femmes de Alger".....Liszt.
Selection "Ray Blue".....Liszt.
Duet "Kiss Me".....Liszt.
Ballad "Aloose".....Liszt.

ACCORDING to our Shanghai morning contemporary, Colonel Denby, U.S. Minister, while on his recent visit to Canton, was able to get settled all outstanding American claims for compensation. Some of these claims were in connection with the destruction of missionary property in the Canton province some eight years ago.

The Japanese man-of-war *Tsushima*, whilst going up the Shanghai river from Woussung on the morning of the 3rd inst., ran into a native passenger boat and capsized her. Fortunately no lives were lost, the passengers being picked up by Messrs. Russell & Co. and Messrs. Boyd & Co.'s steam launches, which quickly went to the rescue.

The Siamese princes went to Macao to-day. They will return on Friday, and go up to Japan by the *General Warder*. We understand that the principal object of their visit is to establish a Legation there, to render more permanent the friendly relations initiated some years ago, when Prince Devawongse conveyed the highest Siamese Order to the Mikado.

Messrs. Melchers & Co. inform us that the Norddeutscher Lloyd's steamer *Sachsen*, carrying the German mail, dated 10th June, left Singapore to-day at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday morning 13th inst. Her departure was delayed, as she had to await at Singapore the arrival of *Branscheu* to exchange reliefs for the German Squadron.

FIVE ships of the British Squadron—the *Impetuous*, *Leander*, *Seymour*, *Caroline*, and *Albatross*—were at Yokohama about a week ago; and the *Hyacinth*, *Pigmy*, and *Linnat* were daily expected to arrive there. It is believed the Squadron will begin a summer cruise about the 15th inst. Mr. R. B. Rigby, secretary to Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, who has been ill for some time past, has been invalided home, and will be replaced by Mr. D. B. L. Hopkins.

The heat in Shanghai has been intense lately. On the 1st inst. a man named Dirk Andersen, lately belonging to the American Navy, was found in a state of exhaustion on the Garden bridge; he was promptly taken to the Hongkong Police Station, where remedies were applied, but he never recovered consciousness. The same afternoon, a Mrs. Lapham, while in the Public Gardens, succumbed to the heat and died before reaching the hospital.

SENOR ARELLANO, the representative of the Manila syndicate formed to purchase the cruiser *Nephele*, arrived to-day, to take part in the negotiations between the Dock Company and Prince Bhanaraj for the transfer of the vessel to the Siamese fleet. She is at present in dock at Aberdeen, preparing for a trial trip and inspection. In the event of the latter, which will be made by Commander Rumeys, R.N., Mr. Brodie, Siamese Consul, and others, being satisfactory, the royal party will return to Siam in her when they come from Japan about a month hence.

A CHINESE contemporary says:—The failure of the Tak Shing Bank in Canton some three or four years ago will doubtless be still fresh in the minds of many. It was declared bankrupt and paid 10 cents in the dollar, but for the Government fund, which a large amount went in the smash, the head of the bank is still held liable in full. Until recently however, there was very little chance of the money being refunded, but the other day a smart merchant made an offer to make good the loss to the extent of \$10,000 for the privilege of selling tickets for a small lottery he proposed to start on the lines of the Manila lottery, and it is reported that this offer has been accepted by Viceroy Li Han-chang.

THE *Peking Gazette* of June 27th has the following:—The latest news from Edle is to the effect that the expedition of the Dutch on Saturday, the 21st instant, to the south of that place, resulted in the enemy being driven from their strongholds. The Achinese had as many as half a dozen forts to oppose the advance of the Dutch troops, but nevertheless offered only a feeble resistance. They fired a few shots and fled, so that one after another their forts fell into the hands of the Dutch. The strongest of these was one called Mata Aie, which was situated on the summit of a hill at Radawa Pontong, and was inaccessible except by means of a narrow and steep path by which men could go up only in single file; and it is asserted that had the Achinese shown a little of that determination which characterized them for so many years, and made a stand at this particular place, they would probably have succeeded in holding their own, or at least would not have been dislodged from their position without first inflicting severe loss on the Dutch. But it was otherwise, which had followed the troops along the coast, proving too hot for the Achinese. Our informant accounts for the Achinese defeat on this occasion by their dread of being killed by shells, it being the belief among them that if their heads were to be blown off, they would not go to paradise. And he further says that, as a matter of fact, many headless bodies of Achinese were found after the recent battle.

A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1165, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Wednesday, the 10th instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

LAST night Detective Inspector Stanton discovered a Chinaman running a small private mint in connection with a clothing establishment at 25 Upper Lascar Row. The prisoner was before Mr. Robinson as a morning, and committed to jail. Fifteen counterfeit Mexicans, together with a complete outfit of counterfeiting tools and apparatus, were discovered in house where he was arrested. Bail was fixed at \$500.

THE *N. C. Daily News* learns from Wenchow that the people there are having a hard struggle for existence, as rice is exceedingly scarce, and consequently very dear. To relieve the distress, the officials opened the public granaries, and thousands rushed to them before daylight. Unfortunately two people were killed in the crush, while several were injured. If the distressed populace can manage to get over the next fortnight, all will be well again. Such has been the distress that the pawnbrokers refuse to take any more pledges, as they have no room left to store the articles. So far, the people are quiet, while the officials are in a manner helpless.

It seems to be settled, says the *L. & S. Express*, that Sir John Pope Hennessy shall be re-elected Parliament as a supporter of Mr. Parnell. It is now more than thirty years since Sir John was first elected a member of the House of Commons. At the time when he entered the House he stood as a supporter of Mr. Disraeli, but it is worthy of notice that even at that time he described himself as a National Conservative who reserved to himself entire independence in everything relating to Ireland. Mr. Hennessy (as he then was) was the first Catholic Conservative member of the House of Commons, and in entering Parliament as a Nationalist Sir John had the feeling of the smallest inconsistency, he having always been a genuine Irish patriot and a staunch upholder of the principle of nationality in every part of the globe.

THE Chinkiang correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* writes on the 30th:—Exceedingly hot weather has prevailed here since last Wednesday. This year we have experienced very little of the *mai* weather. The Chinese have finished setting out rice after harvesting a fair crop. The American Minister to Peking, came up the river on Wednesday night, in the *Monocacy*, and left on Saturday for Shanghai. He was entertained by the Consul and also by the Taoist. The American missionaries tendered him a reception on Friday evening, but a previous engagement precluded his accepting. He expressed his hearty thanks, and regrets that he could not be present. The friendliness to missionary work, of which he writes, is difficult to say too much good, and his kindness and courtesy to missionaries, and his kindness to a friend at home Minister Denby says in reference to missionaries:—"Believe nobody when he sneers at them. The man is simply not posted on the work." Again, "These men and women are honest, pious, sincere, industrious and trained for their work by the most arduous study." Writing thus, Col. Denby is, in a way, helping missionaries to accomplish and perfect that which he says they are already doing—"civilizing, educating, and taking care of helpless thousands."

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wills, Acting Puisne Judge.)

THE RATING APPEAL.

His lordship delivered judgment in the case *Cross v. Chapman*, in which Mr. Francis, Q.C., (instructed by Mr. Bowles) represented the appellant, and the Attorney-General (instructed by Mr. Johnson) appeared for the respondent. His lordship said:—This is an appeal against a valuation made under the provisions of the Rating Ordinance of 1889, the appellant being the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited. The terms of the notice of appeal are as follows:—(Notice read), and the amounts as appealed against are \$8,850 for Gas Works, and that this year an additional \$950 has been added for mains. The Company appear to have been contented with the previous valuation, but on the addition being made, they determined to raise the whole question, and now contend that they are not liable to be rated for the mains at all, and further that the valuation of \$8,850 is excessive. Mr. Francis, for the appellants, submitted that at home, under the English law, Companies of a similar description had been held with reference to their mains, to be occupiers of land, and therefore liable, but he contended that under our Ordinance, such was not the case. The terms of sub-sections 5 and 6 of section 1 of our Ordinance are as follows (sub-sections read), and the argument was that the definition of a tenement in the Ordinance could not apply to the ground occupied by these mains. The Company have not a separate lease of this ground, but have only a licence to open up streets and lay mains under the supervision of the Surveyor-General, and in that case the Company shift their position. I do not therefore think that the land occupied by these mains can be fairly described as 'land with or without buildings held or occupied as a distinct and separate holding or tenancy,' inasmuch as the laying of these mains seems to me to be a component part of the business of the Company, and in fact I do not consider that the licence above referred to can be described as a holding or tenancy. For the above reasons I am of opinion that the Company are not liable to be rated for these mains. Two other objections were taken by Mr. Francis, firstly, that the valuation of \$8,850 was excessive, and secondly, that it had been arrived at by a wrong method, but I think it will be convenient to consider them together. The argument was based on the words of sub-section 1, and it was contended that though in England it might be correct to take into consideration the profits arising from a business, in this case the valuation was the annual rental of what you had to consider was the annual rental of any particular business that might be carried on there. I cannot, however, agree with this, as the annual rental meant by the Ordinance is the rental which could be fairly reckoned upon for the land and buildings in their present condition, and suppose one might expect a larger rental from a man who was going to carry on the business of gas-making than from a man who was going to pull down the buildings and make a drying ground. However, I agree with the valuation as to the general principle, I do not think the Assessor was correct in taking into consideration the profits arising from the machinery. Machinery, by the Ordinance, is exempt from taxation; how then can you tax the profits arising from it? I do not also approve of the method by which he arrived at the annual rental of the mains, but as I have decided that the Company are not liable under that head, it is unnecessary to discuss this. The question, therefore, for me to decide is, is it a fair annual rental. Taking into consideration the value of the land and the value of the buildings,

according to Mr. Cross, and the general position of the Company, and also the fact that last year they were contented with the same figures, though, of course, that does not prevent them from opening up the question this year, I think that the amount of \$8,850 is a fair one. The amount will therefore be altered by striking out \$950 for mains. Costs for the appellants.

A PROMISSORY NOTE CASE.

J. Minihmet, of the Public Works Department, sued Abdullah Fukeera, a clerk in the Commissariat Department, for \$686, money lent.—Mr. Mosson, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Wilkinson for the defendant.

Plaintiff stated that he lent the money early last year.

Cross-examined.—The promissory note was signed in Mr. Webber's office. I do not know what Fukeera did with the money. I know, but I am not supposed to know. Webber may have had it. I have had considerable dealings with him; he is indebted to me for a considerable amount. A good deal of the money was lent to him last year, and I have a promissory note which he gave me two years ago. He repaid me some, but I am not prepared to say how much. I cannot say whether it was over \$2,000 or not. I asked Fukeera for this money scores of times, but he always put me off. He gave me some about the promissory note, but I handed them back to him, as they were of no use to me. I received a letter from Messrs. Caldwell and Wilkinson about the debt on the 14th May, asking if Webber had settled it, and requesting the return of the shares. On the 20th Fukeera also wrote me saying that he did not consider himself responsible. I told him that none of the money had been repaid.

Mr. Wilkinson—Did you write him, to that effect?

Witness—No, I came and saw you.

Mr. Wilkinson—Was not that several weeks later, four days after Webber had left the Colony?

Witness did not think so. Fukeera had often asked him if Webber had paid the money back, and he always replied that he did not hold Webber responsible. Fukeera never told witness that he was holding some of Webber's shares as security, nor did witness ever reply that Webber had paid all but about a hundred dollar—

—he always said that nothing had been repaid. Webber never said to witness that he was responsible, and not Fukeera. If he had said that, witness would never have lent the money.

Webber already owed him a lot of money. He lent it because he thought Fukeera was good for the amount. Fukeera did not ask for the promissory note back when witness returned him the shares, nor did he say to witness "You always told me Webber had paid nearly all the money back." Witness certainly never said "Webber told me to tell you so."

He tried to get repayment before Webber left the Colony, and admitted that Fukeera used strong language, blaming him for not letting him know that Webber had not paid. He did not refuse from paying the money in order to stop Fukeera from coming down on Webber. He would not have sued him now if it had not been for Mr. Wilkinson's letter.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—200 per cent.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$100 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$74 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 240 per share, sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$125 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 84 per share, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$352 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$85 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$63 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$374 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—103 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$180 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. dis., sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$54 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$175 per share, sellers.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company Limited—\$87 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$95 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$21 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$110 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25 per share, nominal.
 Punjani and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$8 per share, sellers.
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$21 per share, sellers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$131 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$52 per share, buyers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—\$275 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—par, buyers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Ltd.—\$45 per share, sellers.
 The Sengai Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$20 per share, sellers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—50 per cent. dis. sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$15 per share, nominal.
 The Daniel Bay Trading Co., Ltd.—\$8 per share, nominal.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$28 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$93 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$51 per share, sellers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$22 per share, sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$35 per share, sellers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$10 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share, nominal.
 The Lamag Planting Co., Ltd.—\$15 per share, nominal.
 The Jebebu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$41 per share, sellers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$3 per share, buyers.
 The Shamoon Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$5 per share, nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, sellers.
 The Trust and Loan Co. of China and Japan—\$14 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Marine, Limited—par, nominal.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Elise*, str. from Haiphong.—Madame Tarnache and 2 children, and 14 Chinese.
 Per *Nanshan*, str. from Manila.—4 Europeans and 93 Chinese.
 Per *Nanshan*, str. from Singapore, &c.—2 Chinese.
 Per *Yikang*, str. from Swatow.—129 Chinese.
 Per *Roma*, str. from Shanghai.—Sir R. Rennie, Mr. and Mrs. Noronha, Messrs. Wilkinson, de Souza, Barr, and 16 Chinese.
 Per *Titan*, str. from Fochow.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. North, 5 children and nurse, Mr. Lewis, and 20 Chinese.
 Per *Formosa*, str. from Tamsui, &c.—Mr. R. Hill, and 135 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Belgia*, str. for Kobe.—Japanese. For Yokohama.—Hon. A. Lister and native servant, Messrs. J. F. Shepley and J. L. Smith. For San Francisco.—Mr. Ho Sam, and 2 Europeans. For London.—Hon. W. H. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnston.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Titan* reports that she left Fochow on the 6th instant. Had heavy rain from Breaker Point.

The British steamship *Yikang* reports that she left Swatow on the 7th instant. Had moderate south-west winds and squally weather.

The British steamship *Nanshan* reports that she left Manila on the 5th instant. Had fresh south-west monsoon with a clouded sky. At times light rain squalls and moderate sea.

The British steamship *Albany* reports that she left Kutchin on the 1st instant. Had strong south-west gale and high sea to Turnabout; thence to port had fine weather with slight swell from south-west.

The British steamship *Formosa* reports that she left Tamsui on the 3rd instant. Amoy on the 6th, and Swatow on the 7th. Had strong to fresh monsoon and sea with clear weather to Amoy. Had moderate to light monsoon with sea and cloudy weather to Swatow. Had a succession of violent thunder squalls and constant rain with moderate sea. In Tamsui, the steamship *Fokien*. In Amoy, the steamships *Hailong*, and *Lord of the Isles*. In Swatow, the steamship *Albany*.

The British steamship *Nanshan* reports that she left Singapore on the 22nd ultimo, and Bangkok on the 1st instant. From Singapore to Bangkok experienced light variable airs and fine weather with smooth water. From Bangkok to Cape St. James had similar weather. Off Cape Padaran had strong south-south-west breeze with cross swell and a threatening appearance; thence to port had light southerly breezes and strong south-east swell throughout. In Koh-chang, the steamships *Kong Beng*, *Cleora*, *Tamsui*, *Proponit*, *Romulus*, *Edendale*, and *Avocet*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Swatow, Fanchow, and Bangkok.—Per *Devanagiri* to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Straits and London.—Per *Titan* to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 ABBYSSINIA, British steamer, 2,346, Geo. A. Lee, 24th June—Vancouver 20th May, Yokohama 15th June, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

BENALDER, British steamer, 1,288, McIntosh, 6th July—Singapore 30th June, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BREMA, German steamer, A. Ott, 2nd July—Bangkok 24th June, Rice.—Order.

CHANG CHIEU, British steamer, 1,213, F. Webb, 7th July—Rangoon 18th June, Penang 25th, and Singapore 30th, General.—Lun Hin Chan.

DEVANAGIRI, British steamer, 1,057, P. H. Luff, 1st July—Bangkok 27th June, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

DIAMANT, British steamer, 514, G. A. Taylor, 28th June—Manila 25th June, General.—Russell & Co.

DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 656, R. Beltran, 3rd May—Manila 30th April, General.—Brandão & Co.

DORIS, German steamer, 771, F. Raben, 25th June—Hilo 20th June, Sugar.—Wielor & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, W. W. Allan—Hongkong Government tender.

FEARLESS, British steamer, 1,335, John Ruten, 8th May—Saigon 30th April, Rice.—Russell & Co.

FIDELIO, German steamer, 852, H. Brorson, 6th July—Penang 28th June, General.—Melchers & Co.

GENERAL WERDER, German steamer, 1,820, M. Eichel, 1st July—Yokohama 22nd June, Kobe 25th, and Nagasaki 27th, Malls and General.—Melchers & Co.

MIKE MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,080, F. J. Sommer, 30th June—Said 16th June, Rice and General.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

MONOKUT, British steamer, 858, Geo. Anderson, 3rd July—Bangkok 24th June, and Koh-si-chang 27th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

PIMPOTS, German steamer, 1,541, U. Johansen, 1st July—Hamburg, via Batoum, 2nd June, General.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stoppani—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

RECORDED, British steamer, 676, R. E. A. Breerton, 27th June—Hod 24th June, Ballast.—E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.

RIVERA, British steamer, 1,311, James Mooney, 5th July—Kuchinotzu 25th June, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

SALVADORA, Spanish steamer, 688, C. A. Costa, 7th July—Manila 4th July, General.—Brandão & Co.

SISHAN, British steamer, 845, Stovell, 1st July—Bangkok 24th June, Rice.—Kien Tye Long.

SUTLEY, British steamer, 2,103, Geo. F. Brown, R.N.R., 7th July—London, via Gibraltar 27th May, Malta, 30th, Brindisi 2nd June, Fort Said 5th, Suez 6th, Aden 10th, Bombay 20th, Colombo 24th, Penang 29th, and Singapore 2nd July, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,515, W. H. Jackson, 17th June—Swatow 16th June, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

VENETIA, British steamer, 1,609, C. Gadd, 5th July—Bombay, and Singapore 25th June, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

VERONA, British steamer, 1,876, F. H. Seymour, 7th July—Yokohama 28th June, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

DANIEL T. JENNEY, American ship, 1,620, Rodick, 28th March—New York 4th Nov., Petroleum.—Order.

ELISE, German ship, 1,348, F. Rowell, 27th May—New York 5th January, Petroleum.—Captain.

ERIKONIA, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination bulk, Stonecutters Island—Chinese Customs.

HASTIA, German ship, 1,405, Wachmuth, 6th July—New York 8th May, General.—Order.

ISLAND CITY, British bark, 421, D. Law, 2nd July—Albany 8th May, Sandalwood.—Order.

HONGKONG—SAILING VESSELS.

Continued.
 LANDSEER, American ship, 1,400, A. H. Luff, 27th May—New York 21st Dec., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

OSAKA, British bark, 517, Jones, 1st July—Cebu 19th June, Sugar.—Order.

PAPA, German bark, 745, C. L. Henne, 4th June—Hamburg 25th Jan., General.—Siemssen & Co.

PARAKITA, American ship, 1,408, C. D. Prescott, 28th May—New York 7th Dec., Petroleum.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

RICHARD PARSONS, American bark, 1,116, Geo. A. Freeman, 22nd June—New York 19th Feb., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

SARA MERSEDES, Peruvian schooner, 245, A. Munizaga, 4th July—Saigon 27th June, Rice.—Captain.

TILLIE BAKER, American bark, 683, Jas. H. Cady, 17th June—Honolulu, 19th May, Ballast.—Captain.

VELOCITY, British bark, 495, R. Martin, 18th June—Honolulu 3rd May, General.—Chinese.

WM. LE LACHEUR, British bark, 575, E. Warner, 19th June—Lagunmanoc 9th June, Wood.—Wielor & Co.

Z. RING, British ship, 1,371, McLeod, 27th May—New York 20th Nov., Petroleum.—Russell & Co.

Intimations.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF RE-OPENING.

A portion of the New Buildings of the above Company, known as the PEAK HOTEL and situated at Victoria Gap, adjoining the tramway station, being completed and furnished, business will be commenced on SATURDAY next, the 14th instant. Residents and visitors wishing to stay at the Peak will find every comfort and accommodation, together with refreshing cool breezes and magnificent views.

Special attention has been given to the Dining Rooms and Bar, to make this a pleasant resort for residents during the hot summer months.

The TABLE D'HOTE is supplied with every available luxury, and the cuisine, being under special management, is by far the best in or near Hongkong.

WINE, SPIRITS, &c.; only the best brands and quality are kept.

W. THOMAS, Manager.

Hongkong, 13th June, 1896.

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NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO,
 No. 2, Duddell Street,
 (Between the New Auction Block, and
 Mr. Lammert's Oriental Rooms),
 Entrance from Duddell Street or Ice House St.

MR. GRIFFITH'S STUDIO is open daily from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. for producing First-class PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAITS in all the latest styles. Views of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, with choice illustrations of Chinese life and character, always ready.

Portraits enlarged to life size and painted in Oils or Water Colours by First-class Artists. Miniatures on Ivory, and all kinds of reproductions.

Hongkong, and April, 1896.

THE BOA VISTA.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOUSE, situated on the Coast in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao and commanding an admirable view facing the South, will be OPENED as an HOTEL on the 1st July next.

Every comfort will be provided for visitors with excellent cuisine and choice Wines.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard, and Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.

A small dairy is attached to the premises.

Mrs. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

Macao, 28th June, 1896.

SIEN TING,

SURGEON DENTIST,
 No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1896.

NOTICE.

JKY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JKY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers at Wholesale Prices. Extra Special terms for Shipping and large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says

"It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1896.

CAPTAIN GEORGE TAYLOR,

INLAND SEA AND JAPAN COAST PILOT.

Telegraphic Address: POWERS, Nagasaki.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1896.

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 6th June, 1896.

A. G. GORDON & CO., LIMITED.

ENGINEERS, LAUNCH BUILDERS, GENERAL AND GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS, IRONMONGERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, VALUATORS, IRON and TIMBER MERCHANTS.

WORKS: BOWENSTOWN, EAST POINT.

OFFICE: 9, PRAYA CENTRAL.

STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED, Hongkong, 11th May, 1896.

Intimations.

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

SUMMER TIME TABLE.

To take effect from 1st May.

The CARS RUN between St. John's Place and Victoria Gap as follows:—

WEEK DAYS.
 8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
 12 to 1 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
 1 to 2 P.M. every half hour.
 4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS.
 NIGHT TRAM at 10.30 and 11 P.M.

SUNDAYS.
 CHURCH TRAM at 10.40 A.M.
 12 (NOON) to 2 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
 4 to 8 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
 9, 10, 10.30 and 11 P.M.

Special Cars may be obtained on application to the Superintendent.

Singapore Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office.

MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1896.

Geo. Fenwick & Co., LIMITED,

VICTORIA FOUNDRY, WANCHAI.

ENGINEERS, IRON and BRASS

FOUNDERS, GOVERNMENT & GENERAL CONTRACTORS, &c.

Established 1880.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1896.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1896.

Dr. Knorr's

ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 35 grains troy)

IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSELEAS, HOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had from every reputed Chemist and Druggist. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature, "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations!

Hongkong 20th May, 1896.

INTIMATION.

J. Blackhead & Co.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVY CONTRACTORS, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

No. 11, PRAYA CENTRAL, (Opposite Piddar's Wharf).

SOLE AGENTS FOR RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION FOR THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS.

HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, specially manufactured for coating the inside of STEEL SHIPS.

CARBOLINEUM AVENARIUS PRESERVATIVE AGAINST ROTTING, DECAY, &c., of WOOD.

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FOR GENERAL CLEANING PURPOSES.

CHR. MOTZ & Co., BORDEAUX CLARETS

MAX HAASEN'S FRANKFURT ON M.

CONSERVED MEATS, VEGETABLES and FRUIT

CEMENT from the celebrated Factory of Hemmoor.

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FLENSBURG STOCKBEER, ENGINEERS' and BLACKSMITHS' MACHINERY AND TOOLS, EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES and REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

ALL KINDS OF COALS

SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE

Hongkong, 25th June, 1896.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, at Fochow, under the style and firm of F. C. KEEKA & Co., Fochow.

F. C. KEEKA.

Fochow, 6th June, 1896.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after TO-MORROW, the 4th inst., Mr. W. H. PERCIVAL will resume his duties as AGENT of the Company at this Branch.

By Order of the Court of Directors, B. C. T. GRAY, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1896.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore subsisting between EDWARD CONSTANT RAY and GEORGE HENDERSON WATT is this day dissolved by Mutual Consent.

E. C. RAY, GEO. H. WATT.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896.

WITH reference to the above business of SHIP, SHARE, and GENERAL BROKER, will be continued by me in my own name.

E. C. RAY.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself in business in this Colony as SHIP, SHARE, and GENERAL BROKER on my own account from this date.

GEO.